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C O N F I D E N T I A L GEORGETOWN 1092

E.O. 116253: GDS

TAGS: ETRN, GY

SUBJECT: PAN AM DISPUTE WITH GOG OVER LANDING

CHARGES

REF: GEORGETOWN 1027

1. LOCAL PAN AM AGENT INFORMED EMBASSY ON JUNE 26 THAT HE RECEIVED OFFICIAL WRITTEN DEMAND FROM GOG FOR FULL PAYMENT WITHIN THREE DAYS OF LANDING CHARGES BASED ON MAXIMUM RATED WEIGHT, RETROACTIVE TO 1970. THIS AMOUNTS TO 102,000 (G) DOLLARS.

2. TODAY (JUNE 28) AGENT ADVISED EMBASSY THAT HE INSTRUCTED BY PAN AM N.Y. NOT RPT NOT TO PAY AT THIS TIME. HE EXPECTING FURTHER COMMUNICATION FROM PANAM NEW YORK OVER WEEKEND.

3. AGENT TOLD EMBASSY THAT COMPANY'S LOCAL ATTORNEY BELIEVES COURT ACTION NECESSARY BEFORE GOG CAN LEGALLY DENY LANDING RIGHTS OR IMPOUND AIRCRAFT. EMBASSY BELIEVES GOG CAPABLE OF SHORT CIRCUITTING DUE PROCESS, ESPECIALLY IF MINISTER OF WORKS & COMMUNICATIONS DESMOND HOYTE(REFTEL) HAS UPPER HAND. IF GOG DOES IMPOUND PANAM AIRCRAFT (UNLIKELY, BUT POSSIBLE) EMBASSY WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE APPROACHED BY COMPANY FOR ASSISTANCE. WHAT ROLE DOES DEPT EXPECT EMBASSY TO PLAY IN THAT EVENT? HITHERTO USG HAS BEEN TOTALLY UNINVOLVED IN THIS PRIVATE
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